

ORNITHOLOGY

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New I ssues

As I prepared to write this article for April, May, and June 2014, Linn's Stamp News laid a bomb on their readers with the notification that they have eliminated the "New Issues" section in their weekly publication.

What this means is that collectors and dealers will not be alerted as to what issues are in the pipeline from the some 180+ countries of the globe by their postal authorities. This also means that, by no longer listing this information that was part of my listing, details such as designer, printing method, or printing entity will no longer appear as part of the stamp listing that I provide for each issue. I still have some of these articles from prior Linn's listings for issues I have not yet reported, but eventually I will no longer be able to provide this information.

Another concern is not knowing when a bird stamp is part of a mixed stamp issue, because Scott Publishing Company does not always list a description of every stamp in a mixed stamp issue as to the subject matter. I have read and seen a number of letters to Linn's, by subscribers regarding the elimination of the "New Issues" section.

Linn's stated reason for elimination, on page 50 of the February 3, 2014 weekly issue, is the time it took to get these listings and that it furthermore was a duplication of the content in the once-a-month "Scott New Issue Update" listing in the *Linn's Stamp News*.

It appears that *Linn's Stamp News* is not aware of how far the new issue updates are behind in listing some countries. A few are six or more years behind and other are about one year. The losers in this decision are the stamp collecting community and maybe the dealers. And they wonder why stamp collecting is waning as a hobby.

Denom Common Name/Scientific Name Scott#

Family/Subfamily

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BRITISH ANTARCTIC TERR. 2013 November 27

A set of four stamps (Sc#462–65) for the 70th Anniversary of Bransfield Station in the Antarctic, with one stamp featuring penguins.

462 65p Adelie Penguin, Pygoscelis adeliae Spheniscidae

2013 November 27

value for the adult of the species is located at the UR corner and the juvenile at the UL corner of the stamp.

A* A set of eight stamps with four different bird species, two of each, one an adult and the other a juvenile. **Note:** The

466a	40p	Gentoo Penguin, Pygoscelis papua	Spheniscidae
466b	40p	Same bird, juvenile	
467a	50p	Adelie Penguin, <i>Pygoscelis adeliae</i>	Spheniscidae
467b	50p	Same bird, juvenile	
468a	75p	Chinstrap Penguin, <i>Pygoscelis antarcticus</i>	Spheniscidae
468b	75p	Same bird, juvenile	
469a	£1.20	Emperor Penguin, Aptenodytes patagonicus	Spheniscidae
469b	£1.20	Same bird, juvenile	_

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

I last listed the stamps of this country in Vol.55(4), in December 2006, which were issued in 1999 through July 2001. In fact, Scott Publishing has not updated any issues for this country since the issues of August 2007. The dates for issues with birds that I have listed below are for the period December 2011 through March 2013.

2011, December 20

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These stamps were all issued on this date and consist of six MS, each with four non-se-tenant stamps, and six SS. No "New Issues" articles ever appeared in *Linn's Stamp News* announcing any of the issues listed in this volume, so no designer or printing method or printer information is available.

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		Parrots	
N/A	650fr		Psittacidae
N/A	650fr	Rüppell's Parrot, <i>Poicephalus rueppellii</i>	Psittacidae
N/A	650fr	**	Psittacidae
N/A		Senegal Parrot, Poicephalus senegalus	Psittacidae
		LR: Senegal Parrot, Poicephalus senegalus	Psittacidae
N/A	_	L: Senegal Parrot, <i>Poicephalus senegalus</i>	Psittacidae
		R: Red-fronted Parrot, <i>Poicephalus gulielmi</i>	Psittacidae
	Margin	LL: Lesser Vasa, <i>Mascarinus nigra</i> (Cap: <i>Coracopsis nigra</i>) (previously named Black Parrot)	Psittacidae
		UL & UR: Gray Parrot, <i>Psittacus erithacus</i>	Psittacidae
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3.7/4	6506	Owls	G. : : 1
N/A	650fr	L: Short-eared Owl, Asio flammeus	Strigidae
3.7/4	6500	R: Madagascar Long-eared Owl, Asio madagascariensis	Strigidae
N/A	650fr	Marsh Owl, Asio capensis	Strigidae
N/A		Spotted Eagle-Owl, Bubo africanus	Strigidae
N/A		Short-eared Owl, Asio flammeus	Strigidae
N/A		Marsh Owl, Asio capensis	Strigidae
	Margin	LL: African Scops-Owl, Otus senegalensis	Strigidae
		UL: African Long-eared Owl, Otus abyssinicus	Strigidae
		UR: Fraser's Eagle-Owl, <i>Bubo poensis</i>	Strigidae
		Owls	
N/A	650fr	Pel's Fishing-Owl, <i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Strigidae
N/A	650fr	African Grass-Owl, Tyto capensis	Tytonidae
N/A		L: Pel's Fishing-Owl, <i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Strigidae
		R: Tawny Owl, <i>Strix aluco</i>	Strigidae
N/A	650fr	Ural Owl, <i>Strix uralensis</i>	Strigidae
	Margin	LR: Pel's Fishing-Owl, <i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Strigidae
N/A	SS 2400fr	L: Pel's Fishing-Owl, <i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Strigidae
		R: Tawny Owl, <i>Strix aluco</i>	Strigidae
	Margin	LR: Pel's Fishing-Owl, <i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Strigidae
		Top: Little Owl, Athene noctua	Strigidae
		Raptors	
N/A	650fr	Tawny Eagle, <i>Aquila rapax</i>	Accipitridae
N/A	650fr		Accipitridae
N/A	650fr	Augur Buzzard, <i>Buteo augur</i>	Accipitridae
N/A	650fr	African Fish-Eagle, Haliaeetus vocifer	Accipitridae
N/A	SS 2400fr		Accipitridae
		L: Steppe Eagle, <i>Aquila nipalensis</i>	Accipitridae
	Margin	UL & ML: Tawny Eagle, <i>Aquila rapax</i>	Accipitridae
		UR: Steppe Eagle, Aquila nipalensis	Accipitridae
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CENT	RAL AFRIC	CAN REPUBLIC Peacock		
N/A	650fr	Congo Peacock, Afropavo congensis (one facing left, one front)	Phasianidae	
N/A	650fr	Same bird (two facing left)		
N/A	650fr	Same bird (two facing right)		
N/A	650fr	Same bird (one facing front, one looking right)		
	Margin	LR: Same bird		
N/A	SS 2400fr	Same bird (pair) (also three birds in margin)		
		Kingfishers/Bee-eater		
N/A		Pied Kingfisher, <i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Alcedinidae	
N/A		European Bee-eater, <i>Merops apiaster</i>	Meropidae	
N/A		Giant Kingfisher, Megaceryle maximus	Alcedinidae	
N/A		Pied Kingfisher, <i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Alcedinidae	
		LR: Ringed Kingfisher, <i>Megaceryle torquatus</i>	Alcedinidae	
N/A		Giant Kingfisher, Megaceryle maximus	Alcedinidae	
	Margin	LL: Black-backed Dwarf-Kingfisher, <i>Ceyx erithaca</i>	Alcedinidae	
		LR: Half-collared Kingfisher, <i>Alcedo semitorquata</i>	Alcedinidae	
		MR: Blyth's Kingfisher, Alcedo hercules	Alcedinidae	
		2012 April 25		A *
These	three issues of	consist of three MS and three SS, of bee-eaters, parrots, and owls.		
		Bee-eaters		
N/A	900fr	Southern Carmine Bee-eater, <i>Merops nubicoides</i>	Meropidae	
N/A		European Bee-eater, <i>Merops apiaster</i>	Meropidae	
N/A	900fr	Same bird		
N/A	900fr	White-fronted Bee-eater, <i>Merops bullockoides</i>	Meropidae	
N/A		European Bee-eater, <i>Merops apiaster</i>	Meropidae	
	Margin	UR & LR: European Bee-eater, <i>Merops apiaster</i>	Meropidae	
		Parrots		
N/A	900fr	Meyer's Parrot, <i>Poicephalus meyeri</i>	Psittacidae	
N/A	900fr	Gray Parrot, Psittacus erithacus	Psittacidae	
N/A	900fr	Red-fronted Parrot, Poicephalus gulielmi	Psittacidae	
N/A	900fr	Rose-ringed Lovebird, Psittacula krameri	Psittacidae	
N/A	SS 3000fr	Red-headed Lovebird, Agapornis pullarius	Psittacidae	
	Margin	LL: Niam-niam Parrot, <i>Poicephalus crassus</i>	Psittacidae	new
	_	LR: Black-collared Lovebird, <i>Agapornis swindernianus</i>	Psittacidae	
		Owls		
N/A	750fr	Short-eared Owl, Asio flammeus	Strigidae	
N/A	750fr	Northern Hawk-Owl, <i>Surnia ulula</i>	Strigidae	
N/A	750fr	Barred Owl, <i>Strix varia</i>	Strigidae	
N/A	750fr	Long-eared Owl, Asio otus	Strigidae	
N/A		Short-eared Owl, Asio flammeus	Strigidae	
		LL: Barred Owl, S trix varia	Strigidae	
	Č	UR: Barn Owl, <i>Tyto alba</i>	Tytonidae	
		LR: Eastern Screech-Owl, Megascops asio	Strigidae	
		MR: Short-eared Owl, Asio flammeus	Strigidae	
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CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC 2013 February 25

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A sheet of four se-tenant stamps for the 200th Anniversary of Alexander Wilson, an American ornithologist and poet, born in Scotland.

N/A	750fr	European Turtle-Dove, Streptopelia turtur	Columbidae
N/A	750fr	Snow Bunting, Plectrophenax nivalis	Calcariidae
N/A	750fr	Northern Bobwhite, Colinus virginianus	Odontophoridae
N/A	750fr	L: Eskimo Curlew, <i>Numenius borealis</i>	Scolopacidae
		R: Passenger Pigeon, <i>Ectopistes migratorius</i>	Columbidae
N/A	SS 2650fr	Long-eared Owl, Asio otus	Strigidae
	Margin	UL: Sharp-shinned Hawk, Accipiter striatus	Accipitridae

(Cap: Épervier brun)

ML: Common Snipe, *Gallinago gallinago* (Cap: *Bécassine*) Scolopacidae LL: Ruffed Grouse, *Bonasa umbellus* (Cap: *Gélinotte huppée*) Phasianidae

2013 March 25 A*

A sheet of four se-tenant stamps of s-o-s design, with two of the stamps featuring birds.

N/A 750fr King Penguin, *Aptenodytes patagonicus* Spheniscidae N/A 750fr Burrowing Owl, *Athene cunicularia* Strigidae

COOK ISLANDS 2013 May 31

A set of six stamps (Sc#1453–58) for Global Wildlife, but only one stamp features a bird. No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

1458 \$1.50 Whooping Crane, *Grus americana* Gruidae

CUBA 2012 October 12 A*

A set of four stamps (Sc#5322–25) for America/Myths and Legends, a UPAEP issue, but only one stamp features a bird. No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

5332 65c Lesser Black-backed Gull, *Larus fuscus* Laridae

(The gull of San Juan River)

2012 November 29 A*

A set of six stamps (Sc#5332–37) for Second Cuba Philatelic Cup/Flora & Fauna, and a SS, but only one stamp of the six features a bird. No designer information. Offset, but no printer information.

5335 65c Indian Peafowl, *Pavo cristatus* Phasianidae 5338 1p Red-legged Thrush, *Turdus plumbeus* Turdidae

CURACAO 2013 June 1 C*

A set of two stamps (Sc#128–29) for Ocean Liner *Freewinds*, with one of the stamps featuring birds. No designer information. Offset by Enschede.

129 175c Laughing Gull, *Leucophaeus atricilla* Laridae

CZECH REPUBLIC 2013 September 4 B*

A sheet of four stamps and four labels (Sc#3579a-d) for Flora & Fauna of the Karlštejn Region, with two stamps featuring birds.

3579b	14k	Northern Wheatear, <i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	Muscicapidae
3579d	20k	Common Buzzard, <i>Buteo buteo</i>	Accipitridae
Label		Eurasian Sparrowhawk, Accipiter nisus	Accipitridae
		European Honey-Buzzard, <i>Pernis apivorus</i>	Accipitridae

GAMBIA 2013 November 18 A*

A sheet of four se-tenant stamps, listed as "Birds of Brazil." The sheet has the emblem for the Brasiliana Intl. Philatelic Exhibition held in Rio de Janeiro.

3535a	35d	Turquoise-fronted Parrot, Amazona aestiva	Psittacidae
		(Cap: Blue-fronted, but the English name was previously ch	anged)
3535b	35d	Toco Toucan, Ramphastos toco	Ramphastidae
3535c	35d	Hyacinth Macaw, Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus	Psittacidae
3535d	35d	Scarlet Ibis, <i>Eudocimus ruber</i>	Threskiornithidae

GHANA 2013 August 28 A*

Two sheets, one with five stamps (Sc#2758a-e) and one with six stamps (Sc#2760a-f) titled "Animals of Africa."

2759c	2.25ce	American Flamingo, <i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	Phoenicopteridae
2760c	2.25ce	Southern Ground-Hornbill, Bucorvus leadbeateri	Bucorvidae
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2760d 2.25ce Same bird

GIBRALTAR 2013 November 2 A*

Two previously issued stamps (Sc#1115 and Sc#1327) surcharged.

1411	14p	Little Owl, <i>Athene noctua</i> (surch UK in gray)	Strigidae
1412	28p	Eurasian Eagle-Owl, <i>Buteo buteo</i> (surch 5p in black)	Strigidae

GREAT BRITAIN (I sle of Man) 2013 September 13

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A SS with four stamps (Sc#1602a-d) of paintings of Wildlife by Jeremy Paul, with one stamp featuring egrets.

1602b 75p Cattle Egret, *Bubulcus ibis* Ardeidae

GRENADA 2013 October 21 A*

A set of 12 stamps, all of parrots. No designer information. Offset, no printer information. **Note:** A \$100 stamp has been reported as part of this issue, but I have not yet seen it to determine the species.

3926	25c	Blue-and-yellow Macaw, Ara ararauna	Psittacidae
3927	35c	Blue-cheeked Parrot, Amazona dufresniana	Psittacidae
3928	40c	Scarlet Macaw, Ara macao	Psittacidae
3929	75c	Turquoise-fronted Parrot, Amazona aestiva	Psittacidae
3930	\$1	Blue-winged Macaw, Primolius maracana	Psittacidae
3931	\$1.25	Festive Parrot, Amazona festiva	Psittacidae
3932	\$1.50	Golden-capped Parakeet, Aratinga auricapillus	Psittacidae
		(Cap: Gold-capped Conure)	
3933	\$2	Hyacinth Macaw, Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus	Psittacidae
3934	\$4	Military Macaw, <i>Ara militaris</i>	Psittacidae
3935	\$5	Maroon-faced Parakeet, Pyrrhura leucotis	Psittacidae
		(Cap: White-eared Conure)	
3936	\$10	Yellow-headed Parrot, Amazona oratrix	Psittacidae
3937	\$50	Hispaniolan Parakeet, Aratinga chloroptera	Psittacidae

GRENADA-GRENADINES 2013 October 16

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Two panes of three stamps each and two SS titled "Birds of the Caribbean." The stamps carry the name of Grenada Carriacou & Petite Martinique. No designer information. Offset, but no printer information.

2846a	\$3.75	White Ibis, <i>Eudocimus albus</i>	Threskiornithidae
2846b	\$3.75	Swallow-tailed Kite, <i>Elanoides forficatus</i>	Accipitridae
2646c	\$3.75	Sora, <i>Porzana carolina</i>	Rallidae
2847a	\$3.75	White-tailed Tropicbird, <i>Phaethon lepturus</i>	Phaethontidae
2847b	\$3.75	Scarlet Ibis, <i>Eudocimus ruber</i>	Threskiornithidae
2847c	\$3.75	Stilt Sandpiper, Calidris himantopus	Scolopacidae
2848	SS \$9	Tree Swallow, <i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>	Hirundinidae
2849	SS \$9	Purple Gallinule, <i>Porphyrio martinicus</i>	Rallidae

GUYANA 1993 July 21

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This sheet of nine se-tenant stamps (Sc#2675Ab–j) for Jurassic Fauna Living and Prehistoric, with two stamps featuring birds, has finally been recognized by Scott Publishing Company and has been assigned numbers. This issue has never been listed in the Ornithology section of the journal.

2675Ab	\$25	Archaeopteryx, Archaeopteryx lithographica	†Archaeopterygidae
2675Ac	\$25	Ostrich, Struthio camelus	Struthionidae

2013 April 29 A*

A sheet of four se-tenant stamps in a vertical format and a SS, listed as "Bird of South America." No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

4230a	\$225	Black-backed Tanager, <i>Tangara peruviana</i>	Thraupidae	Vol.62(3)
4230b	\$225	Golden-hooded Tanager, Tangara larvata	Thraupidae	
4230e	\$225	Turquoise Tanager, <i>Tangara mexicana</i>	Thraupidae	
4230d	\$225	Burnished-buff Tanager, <i>Tangara cayana</i>	Thraupidae	
4231	SS \$710	Golden Tanager, <i>Tangara arthus</i>	Thraupidae	Vol.62(3)

ICELAND 2014 January 16 A*

A single self-adhesive stamp for Protection of Eagles.

1327 (103k) White-tailed Eagle, *Haliaeetus albicilla* Accipitridae

INDONESIA 2013 August 2

В*

A SS with a single stamp for the Thailand 2013 World Stamp Expo. Designer: Teguh Wiyanto. Offset by Perum Printer.

2356 10000r Raggiana Bird-of-Paradise, *Paradisaea raggiana* Paradisaeidae

JAPAN 2013 December 13

Α*

A sheet of five stamps (Sc#3643a–e) for the 60th Anniversary of Kagoshima Local Autonomy Law, with one stamp featuring birds.

3643e 80¥ White-naped Crane, *Grus vipio* Gruidae

2013 July 1

Α*

Five self-adhesive stamps of animals (Sc#3595a–e), but only one stamp has a bird. The sheet has ten stamps (2ea Sc#3595a–e). Two sets of five also appear on the sheet but no birds (Sc#3596a–e). Designer: Hoshiyama Ayaka; Offset, no printer information.

3595d 50¥ Gentoo Penguin, *Pygoscelis papua* Spheniscidae

KAZAKHSTAN 2013 July 2 A*

First Woman in Space 50th Anniversary. Two stamps (Sc#699–700) with one stamp containing a bird as part of the design. Designers: Kuat Ibayshin and Sergey Marshev. Offset by Kazakhstan Banknote.

699 150t Yellow-legged Gull, Larus michahellis Laridae

LIBERIA 2013 July 30 A*

Two sheets of four stamps each and two SS, titled "Birds of the World."

2868a	\$85	Barnacle Goose, <i>Branta leucopsis</i>	Anatidae
2868b	\$85	Brown Pelican, Pelecanus occidentalis	Pelecanidae
2868c	\$85	Long-billed Curlew, <i>Numenius americanus</i>	Scolopacidae
2868d	\$85	Eurasian Vulture, <i>Gyps fulvus</i>	Accipitridae
2869a	\$85	Great Egret, Ardea alba	Ardeidae
2869b	\$85	Red-and-green Macaw, Ara chloropterus	Psittacidae
2869c	\$85	Roseate Spoonbill, <i>Platalea ajaja</i>	Threskiornithidae
2869d	\$85	Mute Swan, Cygnus olor	Anatidae
2870	SS \$280	Indian Peafowl, <i>Pavo cristatus</i>	Phasianidae
2871	SS \$280	Black Crowned-Crane, Balearica pavonina	Gruidae

LITHUANIA 2013 September 7 A*

Red Book of Lithuania/Endangered Birds. Two stamps of birds designed by Egle Ratkute. Offset by Pasaulis.

1010	2L Aquatic Warbler, <i>Acrocephalus paludicola</i>	Acrocephalidae
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1011 2.90L Tawny Pipit, Anthus campestris Motacillidae Vol.62(4)

MALAYSIA 2013 May 13 A*

Two panes of stamps (Sc#1458 & Sc#1460a—e) for "Wonders of the Malaysian Forests," with each containing five stamps. A third pane contains no birds. Designer: World Communication Network Resources. Offset, in self-adhesive format, by Southern Colour Print.

1458a	\$1	Gould's Frogmouth, Batrachostomus stellatus	Podargidae	new
1458b	\$1	Helmeted Hornbill, Buceros vigil	Bucerotidae	
1460d	\$1	Malayan Peacock-Pheasant, Polyplectron malacense	Phasianidae	

MALDIVE ISLANDS 2013 September 30

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A pane of four stamps, a strip of four, and a SS with the World Wildlife Fund panda logo emblem. No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

3021a 3021b		White-breasted Waterhen, <i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i> (in flight) Same bird (at water's edge)	Rallidae Rallidae
3021c	22r	Same bird (two birds)	Rallidae
3021d	22r	Same bird (bird and chicks)	Rallidae
3021		Horiz strip 4 (Sc#3021a–d) (perf 13×13½)	
3021e		Same bird, SS of 8 (2ea Sc#3021a–d + central label)	
3022a	22r	Same bird (at water's edge)	Rallidae
3022b	22r	Same bird (two birds)	Rallidae
3022c	22r	Same bird (bird and chicks)	Rallidae
3022a	22r	Same bird (in flight)	Rallidae
3022		Same bird, MS of 4 (Sc#3022a–d) (perf 13 ¹ / ₄)	
3023	SS 70r	Same bird with flower	Rallidae

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MALDIVE ISLANDS (continued) 2013 September 30

A sheet of four se-tenant stamps and a SS of "Birds of the Indian Ocean."

3029a	22r	Brown Booby, Sula leucogaster	Sulidae
3029b	22r	Lesser Frigatebird, <i>Fregata ariel</i>	Fregatidae
3029c	22r	Red-footed Booby, Sula sula	Sulidae
3029d	22r	Flesh-footed Shearwater, <i>Puffinus carneipes</i>	Procellariidae
3029		MS of 4 (Sc#3029a–d) (perf 13 ¹ / ₄)	
3038	SS 70r	Great White Pelican, Pelecanus onocrotalus	Pelecanidae
	Margin	LR: Masked Booby, Sula dactylatra	Sulidae
		UR: White-tailed Tropicbird, <i>Phaethon lepturus</i>	Phaethontidae
		LL: Lesser Frigatebird, <i>Fregata ariel</i>	Fregatidae

2013 October 25 A*

Three sheets of four stamps each, in se-tenant format and three SS for "Fauna and Flora of the Maldives," representing birds of prey, owls, and water birds.

3044a	20r	Great White Pelican, Pelecanus onocrotalus	Pelecanidae
3044b	20r	Pin-tailed Snipe, Gallinago stenura	Scolopacidae
3044c	20r	Brown Noddy, <i>Anous stolidus</i>	Laridae
3044d	20r	Northern Shoveler, Anas clypeata	Anatidae
3044		MS of 4 (Sc#3044a-d) (perf 13 ¹ / ₄)	
3054	SS 60r	Ruff, <i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	Scolopacidae
	Margin	L: Same bird ♂	
		LR: Same bird ♀	
3048a	22r	Short-eared Owl, <i>Asio flammeus</i> (flying left)	Strigidae
3048b	22r	Same bird (flying right)	Strigidae
3048c	22r	Same bird (flying right with vine)	Strigidae
3048d	22r	Same bird (flying left over water)	Strigidae
3048		MS of 4 (Sc#3048a-d) (perf 13 ¹ / ₄)	
3058	SS 70r	Same bird	Strigidae
	Margin	UL, LL, & Bot: Same bird	
3049a	22r	Shorted-eared Owl, <i>Asio flammeus</i>	Strigidae
3049b	22r	Eurasian Hobby, <i>Falco subbuteo</i>	Falconidae
3049c	22r	Common Buzzard, <i>Buteo buteo</i>	Accipitridae
3049d	22r	Eurasian Marsh-Harrier, Circus aeruginosus	Accipitridae
3059	SS 70r	Osprey, <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	Pandionidae
	Margin	UL: Osprey, <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	Pandionidae
		LR: Eurasian Hobby, <i>Falco subbuteo</i>	Falconidae

M AURITIUS 2013 August 30 A

Set of three stamps (Sc#1132–34) for Flora and Fauna, with one featuring a bird. No designer information. Offset by BDT International.

1134 18r Mascarene Martin, *Phedina borbonica* Hirundinidae (Cap: Mascarene Swallow)

MICRONESIA 2013 July 7 A*

A sheet of eight se-tenant stamps (Sc#1041a-h) and a SS of two stamps (Sc#1042a-b) for "Wildlife of Thailand." The sheet of eight contains four stamps featuring birds and the SS contains one stamp with a bird. Both of these sheets have logos for the Thailand 2013 World Stamp Exhibition that was held in Bangkok.

1041a	75c	Javan Banded Pitta, <i>Pitta guajana</i>	Pittidae
1041c	75c	Wrinkled Hornbill, Aceros corrugatus	Bucerotidae
1041d	75c	Nicobar Pigeon, Caloenas nicobarica	Columbidae
1041h	75c	Red-footed Booby, Sula sula	Sulidae
1042b	\$1.75	Red-breasted Parakeet, Psittacula alexandri	Psittacidae

PAKISTAN 2013 July 1 A*

A single stamp of a bird. Designer: Adil Salahuddin. Offset by Pakistan Security Printing.

1198 8r Red-vented Bulbul, *Pycnonotus cafer* Pycnonotidae

PERU 2013 September 10

Α*

A SS with a single stamp for Prehistoric Animals with image of an extinct penguin. Designer: Christian Alvarez Mendoza. Offset by Thomas Greg & Sons. **Note:** I have two different last name spellings the designer, Mendoza and Mendosa. Since his name does not appear on any of the stamps, the correct spelling is in question. The "New Issues" article I had for two of the listings from *Linn's Stamp News*, each used a different spelling. *[Ed. Note: A search of the Internet reveals that the correct spelling is "Mendoza."]*

1820 10s Water King Penguin, *Inkayacu paracasensis* Spheniscidae

2013 October 4

C*

A single stamp for the 95th Anniversary of the Museum of Natural History in Lima. Designer: Christian Alvarez Mendoza. Offset by Thomas Greg & Sons.

4s Marvelous Spatuletail, *Loddigesia mirabilis* Trochilidae

2013 October 14

Α*

A SS with four se-tenant stamps. Designer: Christian Alvarez Mendoza. Offset by Thomas Greg & Sons.

1830a	3s Harpy Eagle, <i>Harpia harpyja</i>	Accipitridae
1830b	3s Crested Eagle, <i>Morphnus gui anensis</i>	Accipitridae
1830c	3s Ornate Hawk-Eagle, <i>Spizaetus ornatus</i>	Accipitridae
1830d	3s Black-and-Chestnut Eagle, <i>Spizaetus isidori</i>	Accipitridae

2013 October 31 A*

A SS with four se-tenant stamps of hummingbirds. Designer: Christian Alvarez Mendoza. Offset by Thomas Greg & Sons.

1832a	5s	Royal Sunangel, Heliangelus regalis	Trochilidae	Vol.62(4)
1832b	5s	Purple-collared Woodstar, Myrtis fanny	Trochilidae	
1832c	5s	Gray-bellied Comet, Taphrolesbia griseiventris	Trochilidae	
1832d	5s	Oasis Hummingbird, <i>Rhodopis vesper</i>	Trochilidae	
(This species was previously shown on a 1982 local Staffa issue.)				

NEW ZEALAND (Ross Dependency) 2013 November 20

Δ*

A sheet with four se-tenant stamps (Sc#L129–33) for the Antarctic Food Web, with two stamps featuring birds. Designer: Gregory Millen. Offset by Southern Colour Print.

L130	\$1.40	Lesser Snow Petrel, <i>Pagodroma nivea nivea</i>	Procellariidae
		(A subspecies of Snow Petrel, <i>Pagodroma nivea</i>)	
L131	\$1.90	Adelie Penguin, <i>Pygoscelis adeliae</i>	Spheniscidae
L133a		SS of 5 (Sc#L129–33)	

SOUTH GEORGIA & SANDWICH IS. 2013 December 15

Δ*

A set of six stamps (Sc#486–91) for "Habitat Restoration," with two stamps featuring birds. Each stamp has emblem of South Georgia Heritage Trust.

490 £1 Yellow-billed Pintail, *Anas georgia* (Cap: South Georgia Pintail) Anatidae 491 £1.20 South Georgia Pipit, *Anthus antarcticus* Motacillidae

UNITED NATIONS (Vienna) 2013 October 10

Α*

A pane of four se-tenant stamps (Sc#534–37) of endangered species type of 1993 for offices in Vienna, Austria. Designer: Emily S. Damstra. Lithography by Enschede & Sons.

535 70c Pharaoh Eagle-Owl, *Bubo ascalaphus* Strigidae

UZBEKISTAN 2011 August 29

C*

A set of 55 stamps (Sc#655a-b to Sc#680a-b) to mark the 20th Anniversary of Uzbekistan's Independence. Eleven triptychs of 800s, 900s, and 1200s value stamps, each with a central label, with two stamps featuring birds. Offset, no printer information.

675a 900s White Stork, *Ciconia ciconia* Ciconiidae 675b 1200s Short-toed Eagle, *Circaetus gallicus* Accipitridae

2012 December 28

Α*

A set of four stamps (Sc#718–21) for the Flora and Fauna of the Chatkal Biosphere Reserve, with one stamp featuring a bird species. Designer: A. Zuev. Offset, no printer information.

720 1000s Eurasian Eagle-Owl, *Bubo bubo* Strigidae

VIETNAM 2013 June 1

A set of four stamps for birds in Xuan Thuy National Park and a SS. No designer information. Offset, no printer information. Each stamp and the SS has an emblem of a bird and the name Xuan Thuy National Park.

3477	2000d	Black-faced Spoonbill, <i>Platalea minor</i>	Threskiornithidae
3478	3500d	Asian Dowitcher, Limnodromus semipalmatus	Scolopacidae
3479	6500d	Northern Shoveler, <i>Anas clypeata</i>	Anatidae
3480	10500d	Gray-headed Lapwing, Vanellus cinereus	Charadriidae Vol.62(3)
3481	SS 15000d	Spot-billed Pelican, <i>Pelecanus philippensis</i>	Pelecanidae

2013 September 12

Α*

Two stamps in a joint issue with Singapore for the 40th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between the two countries. Designer: Ming Trang and Eng Siak Loy; Offset by Postal Stamp Printing Co.

3485	2000d	Red Junglefowl, <i>Gallus gallus</i>	Phasianidae
3486	10500d	Gray Peacock-Pheasant, Polyplectron bicalcaratum	Phasianidae

VIRGINISLANDS

2014 January 30

Α

A set of four stamps and a SS of hummingbirds. The four stamps were issued with and without white frames. The stamps are a "Worldwide Fund for Nature" issue and all have the WWF panda emblem.

1151	35c	Antillean Crested Hummingbird, Orthorhyncus cristatus	Trochilidae
1155a	35c	Same bird, without white frame	
1152	40c	Same bird, female on nest	
1155b	40c	Same bird, without white frame	
1153	75c	Same bird, sipping at flower	
1155c	75c	Same bird, without white frame	
1154	\$1.50	Same bird, head only	
1155d	\$1.50	Same bird, head only, without white frame	
1156	SS \$5	Same bird	

On April 9, 2014, I forwarded an e-mail to Martin J. Frankevicz, New Issues Editor for Scott Publishing Company, regarding the status of Scott numbering for the following "countries:" Canouan, Mayreau, Mustique, and Bequia, which are essentially just islands of St. Vincent. Herein is the reply I received to my e-mail;

"Mr. Mertz:

"We have not listed stamps for any of the St. Vincent islands for a number of years, and may never list them again. A number of years ago, Bob Lamb, the ex-director of the APS, went to St. Vincent on vacation and visited a number of these islands. He had purchased a number of island issues at the philatelic bureau on St. Vincent. When he tried to post mail bearing the island stamps at that island's post office, the clerks told him that they could not accept mail franked with those stamps. When we alerted the postmaster general about this we were told that, despite the numerous attempts Mr. Lamb made to mail items franked with these island stamps, the island stamps were valid for postage. Scott Publishing does not believe the postmaster general because we know that the philatelic bureau became an operation separate from the St. Vincent Postal Service a number of years ago. Scott Publishing is willing to reconsider the matter if anyone shows them a commercial cover from the islands that is franked with the stamps created for the island. So far, none have been shown to Scott Publishing. Mr. Lamb wrote an article about this in the Scott Stamp Monthly not long after his vacation there which featured the rejected covers and his story of what happened.

"The stamps created for Palm Island, Young Island, and Tobago Cays have never been and will never be listed because they are either uninhabited or are inhabited but do not have a post office. There is no need for separate postage stamps for such places. If you read the Scott Catalogue listing policy, Scott Publishing is pretty blunt—we don't list stamps that are not valid for postage and they don't list stamps created for uninhabited places or places lacking a post office. Scott publishes a postage stamp catalogue, not a postage stamp and all sorts of other things masquerading as a postage stamp catalogue."

I understand where Scott Publishing Company is coming from and agree with their stance regarding items created that will never do postal duty as stamps were intended. Realizing that collectors have a right to determine what will be purchased for their collecting interest, I have listed these below, but with no Scott numbers. Collectors of these "countries/islands" should not expect any numbers to be assigned to these listings any time in the future, based on Scott Publishing's reply to my question of status for these listings. I will continue to list future "countries/islands" when I am aware of them. As they say in the business world, "Let the buyer beware."

BEQUIA 2011 August 29 A'

A MS of four se-tenant stamps titled "Birds of the World" showing birds and eggs with feathers in the margin. A SS of three egg-shaped stamps showing eggs of three different birds with a bird in the margin. A SS of a bird egg with a bird and four different bird eggs in the margin. A SS of a bird and egg with five different eggs in the margin. Designer: IGPC Art Dept. Offset, C&C Security Printing.

N/A	\$2.75	Corn Crake, Crex crex (with egg)	Rallidae
N/A	\$2.75	Golden Eagle, <i>Aquila chrysaetos</i> (with egg)	Accipitridae
N/A	\$2.75	L: Carrion Crow, <i>Corvus corone</i> (with egg)	Corvidae
		R: Hooded Crow, <i>Corvus cornix</i>	Corvidae
N/A	\$2.75	Willow Warbler, <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Phylloscopidae
		MS of 4 (above)	• •
N/A	\$3	Ruff, Philomachus pugnax (egg)	Scolopacidae
N/A	\$3	Common Murre, <i>Uria aalge</i> (egg)	Alcidae
N/A	\$3	Great Cormorant, <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i> (egg)	Phalacrocoracidae
		SS of 3 (above)	
	Margin	L: Ruff, <i>Philomachus pugnax</i> (bird)	Scolopacidae
N/A	SS \$6	Great Crested Flycatcher, <i>Myiarchus crinitus</i> (egg)	Tyrannidae
	Margin	L: Great Crested Flycatcher, <i>Myiarchus crinitus</i> (bird)	Tyrannidae
		UR: Raven, Corvus corax (egg)	Corvidae
		MR: Boat-tailed Grackle, Quiscalus major (egg)	Icteridae
		LR: California Jay, <i>Aphelocoma californica</i> (egg)	Corvidae
		LR: Cowbird (egg)	Icteridae

BEQUIA (continued)

N/A SS \$6 Red-rumped Swallow, *Cecropis daurica* (with egg) Hirundinidae

Margin Top: Red-breasted Snipe (egg)

UR: Great Snipe (egg)
MR: Woodcock (egg)
Bot: Greenshank (egg)
LR: Jack Snipe (egg)

CANOUAN 2011 February 28 A*

A sheet of four se-tenant stamps and a SS with two se-tenant stamps. No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

N/A	\$2.50	Great Blue Heron, Ardea herodias	Ardeidae
N/A	\$2.50	Masked Booby, <i>Sula dactylatra</i>	Sulidae
N/A	\$2.50	Wilson's Storm Petrel, Oceanites oceanicus	Hydrobatidae
N/A	\$2.50	Pied-billed Grebe, <i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	Podicipedidae
N/A	\$3	Green-winged Teal, Anas crecca	Anatidae
N/A	\$3	Osprey, Pandion haliaetus	Pandionidae

MAYREAU 2011 October 26 A*

Two panes of four stamps each and two SS titled "Birds of Paradise." No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

N/A	\$2.75	Painted Parakeet, <i>Pyrrhura picta</i>	Psittacidae	
N/A	\$2.75	Common Scale-backed Antbird, Willisornis poecilinotus	Thamnophilidae	Vol.61(1)
N/A	\$2.75	Guianan Toucanet, Selenidera culik	Ramphastidae	
N/A	\$2.75	Festive Parrot, Amazona festiva	Psittacidae	
N/A	\$2.75	Crimson-bellied Parakeet, <i>Pyrrhura perlata</i>	Psittacidae	Vol.61(1)
N/A	\$2.75	Crimson-breasted Finch, <i>Phodospingus cruentus</i>	Emberizidae	Vol.61(1)
N/A	\$2.75	Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock, Rupicola rupicola	Cotingidae	
N/A	\$2.75	Swift Parrot, Lathamus discolor	Psittacidae	
N/A	SS \$6	Northern Royal Flycatcher, Onychorhynchus mexicanus	Tyrannidae	
		(Now a subspecies of Royal Flycatcher)		
N/A	SS \$6	Blue Dacnis, <i>Dacnis cayana</i>	Thraupidae	Vol.61(1)

MUSTIQUE 2011 August 1 A*

A pane of six se-tenant stamps and a SS titled "Birds of the Caribbean." No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

N/A	\$2	Tropical Mockingbird, <i>Mimus gilvus</i>	Mimidae
N/A	\$2	American Flamingo, <i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	Phoenicopteridae
N/A	\$2	American White Pelican, <i>Pelecanus erythrorhynchos</i>	Pelecanidae
N/A	\$2	Brown-throated Parakeet, Aratinga pertinax	Psittacidae
N/A	\$2	Bananaquit, Coereba flaveola	Thraupidae
N/A	\$2	Blue-and-yellow Macaw, Ara ararauna	Psittacidae
N/A	SS \$6	Chestnut-fronted Macaw, Ara severus	Psittacidae
		(Cap: <i>Psittacus erithacus</i> for Gray Parrot, which is not the bird on the stamp)	

MUSTIQUE (continued)

2011 August 1

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A pane of four se-tenant stamps and a SS titled "Birds of the Caribbean." No designer information. Offset, no printer information.

N/A	\$2.50	Great Egret, <i>Ardea alba</i>	Ardeidae
N/A	\$2.50	Pin-tailed Whydah, Vidua macroura	Viduidae
N/A	\$2.50	Yellow-crowned Parrot, Amazona ochrocephala	Psittacidae
N/A	\$2.50	American Flamingo, <i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	Phoenicopteridae
N/A	SS \$6	Fulvous Whistling-Duck, <i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>	Anatidae

SONGBIRDS BOOKLET



On 5 April 2014, the United States Postal Service issued a doubled-sided pane of 20 non-denominated (49c) stamps depicting ten songbirds. The USPS calls this format a convertible booklet. The self-adhesive stamps reproduce paintings by artist Robert Giusti. Each shows a bird perched on a tree branch, or among flowering blossoms with its common name at the bottom. The artist chose colorful subjects and in my opinion the results are quite beautiful.

The featured birds are the Western Meadowlark (*Sturnella neglecta*), Mountain Bluebird (*Salia currucoides*), Western Tanager (*Piranga ludoviciana*), Painted Bunting (*Passerina ciris*), Baltimore Oriole (*Icterus galbula*), Evening Grosbeak (*Coccothraustes vespertinus*), Scarlet Tanager (*Piranga olivacea*), Rose-breasted Grosbeak (*Pheucticus Iudovicianus*), American Goldfinch (*Carduelis tristis*) and White-throated Sparrow (*Zonotrichia albicollis*).

Ashton Potter printed the stamps using the offset process with an initial print run of 400 million. The designer and art director was Derry Noyes.